

## TELE-HEALTH COMING TO BARSTOW VETERANS HOME

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The long-anticipated Tele-Health and Tele-Medicine kiosk program will soon be available at the Barstow Veterans Home. This program will save residents both time and money as they will no longer have to go to Loma Linda Veterans Administration to obtain critical health care information. Transitioning to Tele-Health and Tele-Medicine will mean residents at this home will have easy access to appointments, medication

refills, and online conversations with their physicians.

With the Tele-Medicine kiosk for example, if a resident had a routine check-up, the resident does not have to take the five-hour trip down to Loma Linda. Through this kiosk, the doctor will be able to see the resident via video conference and review vital statistics with the help of the nurse on duty in the clinic. After the doctor's assessment, the doctor will be able to prescribe the course

of action to be taken. They will even be able to perform psychiatric evaluations for at-risk residents.

Collaboration between the Barstow Veterans Home team and the Loma Linda Veterans Administration began about six months ago. As a result, Tele-Health and Tele-Medicine equipment was installed at each site.

"I am ecstatic that our residents will be able to take advantage of this new technology," said Raymond Lau, Director at the Barstow Veterans home. "This is just a part of the quality care we provide for our veterans."

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## HIRING OUR HEROES

### JOB FAIRS FOR VETERANS, SPOUSES

Hiring Our Heroes—launched in March 2011—is a nationwide initiative to help veterans and military spouses find meaningful employment. Working with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's network of 1,600 state and local chambers and other strategic partners from the public, private, and non-profit

sectors, the program's goal is to create a movement across America in hundreds of communities where veterans and military families return every day. Since its inception, Hiring Our Heroes has hosted more than 400 hiring fairs in all 50 states, Puerto Rico, and the District of Columbia. More than 14,100 veterans and military spouses have obtained jobs.

Hiring our Heroes expanded its efforts with the establishment of a stand-alone program for military spouses and with a sustained campaign to enlist the commitments from the small business community to hire veterans and military spouses

by the end of 2014.

A number of Hiring our Heroes job fairs have been scheduled in California this year:

- February 13, 2013 – Sacramento, CA
- February 28, 2013 – Oakland, CA
- March 28, 2013 – Fresno, CA
- April 4, 2013 – Long Beach, CA
- April 11, 2013 – San Jose, CA
- April 30, 2013 – Walnut Creek, CA

These hiring fairs are free to both job seekers and employers. For more information and to register, go to [www.uschamber.com](http://www.uschamber.com). If you don't find a job fair in your area, check back. New jobs fairs are added to the list frequently.